

President Benjamin Harrison Home, the Supreme Court and the Capitol Tour Office announces a

# WRITING CONTEST

To celebrate Benjamin Harrison Day, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

The winners will meet many state officials while being recognized in a special ceremony held in the Rotunda of the historic State Capitol. The House and Senate will recognize the winners and a celebration will be hosted by a surprise guest. All entries will be on display at the State Capitol.

Participants should be in **fourth through eighth grade** and submit, on 8.5 x 11" paper:

an **essay**, 250 words or less (printed or typed)

a **poem**, 250 words or less (printed or typed)

### \*\*\*Contest Topic\*\*\*

Poems or essays may cover any topic related to the

>Life

>Presidency

>Ideals

of Benjamin Harrison.

You can find information about him by visiting [www.presidentbenjaminharrison.org](http://www.presidentbenjaminharrison.org), or by reading some of the following books: "Benjamin Harrison Our Twenty-Third President," by Sandra Francis or the 3-volume biography by Harry Sievers: "Hoosier Warrior," "Hoosier Statesman," or "Hoosier President."

### DID YOU KNOW ??

- \*Benjamin Harrison was the only president ever elected from the state of Indiana.
- \*Benjamin Harrison initiated the crusade to fly a U.S. flag at public schools.
- \*Benjamin Harrison was the first president to attend a major league baseball game.
- \*Benjamin Harrison was president during the opening of Ellis Island.
- \*Benjamin Harrison was the first person to lead a group in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

*All entries must be sent to:*

*President Benjamin Harrison Home*

*1230 North Delaware Street,*

*Indianapolis, Indiana 46202*

*Attention: BH DAY*

*February 1<sup>st</sup> is the due date for all submissions.*

